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USSR PRODUCE SHOES FROM PLASTIC-COATED COTTON FABRIC

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After several years of research, the scientific research institutes of the cotton-cloth and shoe-leather industries have come up with a method for producing shoes from plastic-coated cotton fabric. The material, called Vorsit (nap, frieze) has the outward appearance of natural leather, and is soft and flexible. A special plastic is applied to the nappy side of cotton velveteen. The tiny particles of map form fine pores by penetrating the plastic, and prevent the material from becoming airtight. The treated fabric is allowed to dry, and a second coat of plastic is applied. The material then becomes smooth and even. After a second drying period, a coat of casein paint is added. The material is then stamped in metal rollers, specially processed in chambers, and stretched on boot trees. The entire process requires about 24 hours. (1)

The new footwear is sold at approximately half the price of leather shoes. Several million pairs of Vorsit shoes have been produced. They were first manufactured in the Moscow "Kozhimit" plant. The processing technique has now been made available to other light-industry enterprises. (2)

SOURCES

- 1. Moscow, Ogonek, No. 3, Jan 1951
- 2. Moscow, Vechernyaya Moskva, No 288, 8 Dec 1950.

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